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SUBJECT: SHRIMPING OFF FRENCH GUIANA

REF: (A) STATE 101677 (B) BRUSSELS 7530

1. MISSION OFFICER MET APRIL 21 WITH EC COMMISSION
FISHERY OFFICIAL VON WULLERSTORFF TO CONVEY POINTS ON
FRENCH GUIANA SHRIMP CATCH REPORTING CONTAINED REF A.
MISSION OFFICER POINTED OUT, IN PARTICULAR, THAT U.S.
VESSEL MASTERS HAVE MADE EVERY EFFORT TO COMPLY WITH
COMMUNITY REQUIREMENTS AND THAT FRENCH AUTHORITIES IN
CAYENNE HAVE SO FAR EXPRESSED NO DISSATISFACTION WITH
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REPORTS. VON WULLERSTORFF NOTED, IN RESPONSE, THAT
COMMISSION COMPLAINT (REF B) IS BASED ON CONSISTENTLY
INCOMPLETE REPORTING BY U.S. VESSELS. HE EMPHASIZED
THAT COMMISSION TAKES REPORTING REQUIREMENT SERIOUSLY
AND THAT IT DEPENDS ON DATA DERIVED FROM VESSEL REPORTS
AS THE BASIS FOR DEVELOPING AN ACCURATE PICTURE OF
OVERALL CATCH EFFORT AND OF STATE OF SHRIMP STOCK.

REPORTING REQUIREMENT, IS NOT, HE EMPHASIZED, SIMPLY A MEANS OF POLICING VESSEL ACTIVITY; AND COMMISSION INTENDS TO MAINTAIN THIS REQUIREMENT ON A CONTINUING BASIS. VON WULLERSTORFF NOTED THAT AUTHORITIES IN CAYENNE MERELY SERVE AS "TRANSMITTAL AGENTS" FOR CATCH REPORTS AND ARE NOT NECESSARILY AWARE OF NEED FOR REPORTS TO CONFORM TO REQUIRED FORMAT. COMMISSION'S TECHNICAL FISHERY EXPERTS, ON THE OTHER HAND, FIND IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT TO DECIPHER CATCH REPORTS WHICH DO NOT ADHERE TO FORMAT.

2. TO SUBSTANTIATE COMMISSION'S COMPLAINT, VON WULLERSTORFF PROVIDED MISSION OFFICER COPIES OF U.S. VESSEL CATCH REPORTS, WHICH SHOW THAT VESSEL MASTERS ARE PROVIDING ONLY THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: VESSEL NAME, LICENSE NUMBER, NAME OF VESSEL MASTER, RADIO CALL SIGN, CATCH TOTAL, AND DATES OF LEAVING AND REENTERING PORT. (HE ALSO SHOWED MISSION OFFICER COPIES OF REPORTING BY JAPANESE VESSELS WHICH FULLY COMPLY WITH MESSAGE FORMAT LAID DOWN BY LICENSE.) VON WULLERSTORFF POINTED OUT THAT INFORMATION PROVIDED IN U.S. VESSEL REPORTS IS ONLY PART OF THAT REQUIRED AND, EVEN THEN, DOES NOT FOLLOW PRESCRIBED SEQUENCE OR FORMAT. HE THEN REVIEWED CORRECT FORMAT POINT BY POINT, EMPHASIZING THAT EACH MESSAGE MUST CONTAIN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING (AS STIPULATED ON BACK OF EACH LICENSE):
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- (A) THE CODE "PECHEUR BRUSSELS";
- (B) NAME OF VESSEL;
- (C) CALL SIGN;
- (D) EXTERNAL IDENTIFICATION LETTERS AND NUMBERS (AS LISTED ON LICENSE);
- (E) LICENSE NUMBER (AS LISTED ON LICENSE);
- (F) SERIAL NUMBER OF THE MESSAGE FOR THE VOYAGE IN QUESTION;
- (G) INDICATION OF THE TYPE OF MESSAGE, BASED UPON THE CONDITIONS OUTLINED IN ARTICLE 4 OF THE SPECIAL CONDITIONS LISTED ON BACK OF EACH LICENSE.

(VON WULLERSTORFF COMMENTED THAT, SINCE ONLY VESSELS BASED IN CAYENNE ARE NOW LICENSED TO SHRIMP, ONLY THREE MESSAGE TYPES SEEM LIKELY TO BE APPLICABLE: 4.4 - ON EACH OCCASION THE VESSEL ENTERS THE PORT OF CAYENNE; 4.5 - ON EACH OCCASION THE VESSEL LEAVES THE PORT OF CAYENNE; AND 4.6 - AT WEEKLY INTERVALS, COMMENCING EITHER ON THE SEVENTH DAY AFTER THE VESSEL FIRST ENTERS THE FRENCH GUIANA ZONE OR ON THE SEVENTH DAY AFTER THE VESSEL LEAVES THE PORT OF CAYENNE. HE POINTED OUT THAT

MESSAGES MUST ALSO BE SENT WHEN A VESSEL FIRST ENTERS

THE FRENCH GUIANA ZONE FROM OUTSIDE WATERS - MESSAGE
TYPE 4.1 - OR WHEN IT LEAVES THE FRENCH GUIANA ZONE -
MESSAGE TYPE 4.2);

(H) GEOGRAPHICAL POSITION (LONGITUDE AND LATITUDE)
OF THE VESSEL AT TIME REPORT IS SUBMITTED
(IF IN PORT, INDICATE NAME OF PORT);

(I) THE QUANTITY, IN KILOGRAMS, OF SHRIMP IN THE HOLDS,
FOLLOWED BY THE LETTER "S", AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE 5

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(J) THE QUANTITY, IN KILOGRAMS, OF SHRIMP CAUGHT SINCE
THE LAST PREVIOUS CATCH REPORT, FOLLOWED BY THE
LETTER "S" (IF NONE, INDICATE "NIL");

(K) THE GEOGRAPHICAL POSITION (LONGITUDE AND LATITUDE)
IN WHICH THE CATCHES WERE TAKEN;

(L) THE QUANTITY, IN KILOGRAMS, OF SHRIMP TRANSFERRED TO
OTHER VESSELS SINCE THE LAST PREVIOUS CATCH REPORT,

FOLLOWED BY THE LETTER "S" (IF NONE, INDICATE

"TRANSFER NIL");

(M) IF ANY TRANSFER WAS MADE: THE NAME, CALL SIGN, AND

IF APPLICABLE, THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THE VESSEL TO

WHICH THE TRANSFER WAS MADE;

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(N) THE NAME OF THE REPORTING VESSEL'S MASTER.

3. VON WULLERSTORFF RE-EMPHASIZED THAT, BECAUSE OF COMPRESSED NATURE OF REQUIRED FORMAT, COMMISSION TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPEND UPON COMPLETE REPORTING TO ENABLE ACCURATE COMPILATION OF STATISTICS. ALL INFORMATION CATEGORIES MUST THEREFORE BE INCLUDED IN REPORTS--EXCEPT (M) ABOVE IF NO CATCH TRANSFER HAS BEEN MADE. HE ALSO ASKED THAT, TO FURTHER REDUCE POSSIBILITY OF CONFUSION, DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF INFORMATION IN REPORTS BE SEPARATED BY THE WORD "STOP", INSTEAD OF, AS U.S. VESSELS ARE NOW DOING, BY SLASHES. DATE AND TIME OF EACH REPORT MUST ALSO BE INDICATED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT DEPARTMENT CONVEY FOREGOING TO VESSEL OWNERS.

5. PROPOSED MAY 8-9 VISIT TO EC COMMISSION BY VESSEL OWNERS AND DEPARTMENT OFFICER WILL BE SUBJECT OF SEPTTEL. HINTON

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